

2009 MICHIGAN ELK DRAWING

Applications Eligible for a 2009 Elk Hunting License	38,826
Applications for a Chance Only (For Future Drawings)	3,530
Invalid Applications / Applicant Not Eligible To Apply	<u>267</u>
Total Applications	42,623

The DNR issues two types of elk hunting licenses: Any Elk and Antlerless Elk. Drawing statistics for each license type are noted below. Hunters are selected for an elk license using a random weighted lottery system that began in 2003. In this system, hunters receive one additional "chance" for future drawings each year they apply for an elk license and are unsuccessful in the drawing.

"ANY ELK" LICENSE DRAWING

All eligible applicants are included in the drawing for Any Elk licenses. Hunters selected for an Any Elk license may harvest either a bull elk or an antlerless elk.

<u>Chances¹</u>	<u>Applicants</u>	Total Chances in Drawing (Chances X Applicants)	Licenses Awarded
1	9,918	9,918	5
2	5,705	11,410	11
3	3,546	10,638	9
4	3,542	14,168	7
5	4,666	23,330	18
6	5,297	31,782	32
7	6,152	43,064	44
	38,826	144,310	126

"ANTLERLESS ELK" LICENSE DRAWING

Eligible applicants not selected for an Any Elk license are eligible for the Antlerless Elk license drawing if they select "Bull or Antlerless" on their application. "Bull-Only" and "Chance Only" applicants are not included in the drawing for an Antlerless Elk license. Hunters selected for an Antlerless Elk license may harvest an antlerless elk only.

<u>Chances¹</u>	<u>Applicants</u>	Total Chances in Drawing (Chances X Applicants)	Licenses Awarded
1	5,982	5,982	18
2	3,133	6,266	26
3	1,831	5,493	19
4	1,796	7,184	20
5	2,356	11,780	37
6	2,592	15,552	56
7	3,052	21,364	78
	20,742	73,621	254

¹ Includes one chance for the current-year application plus any accumulated chances from previous drawings.